

said advancing device comprising an advancing piston rod and an advancing piston actuating said advancing piston rod;

D' said advancing piston rod acting on said blade holding member for moving the circular blade from a ready position into a cutting position, thereby overcoming the force of a return spring acting on said advancing piston rod to press said advancing piston rod into the ready position of the circular blade;

said advancing piston actuated by a first pneumatic drive and mounted and guided in said chamber;

a pressing device for neutralizing the force of the return spring acting on the advancing piston rod during a cutting operation, said pressing device exclusively loading said return spring in a direction of the cutting position of the circular blade;

said pressing device decoupled from said advancing piston rod.